

GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE

Bills to be Signed by the Governor on May 10, 2011

SB 174

The President (By Request – Administration), et al

CRIMINAL LAW – RESTRICTIONS AGAINST USE AND POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

Expanding the prohibition against the use of handguns and antique firearms in the commission of specified crimes of violence or felonies to include the use of any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded; altering the predicate crimes and increasing the maximum term of imprisonment applicable to a violation of the prohibition against a person who was previously convicted of a specified crime of violence or drug-related crime possessing a specified regulated firearm; defining “firearm”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 241

Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al

CRIMINAL LAW – RESTRICTIONS AGAINST USE AND POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

Expanding to all firearms the prohibition against the use of handguns and antique firearms in the commission of a crime of violence or felony; altering the predicate crimes and increasing to 15 years the maximum term of imprisonment applicable to a violation of the prohibition against possession of a regulated firearm by a person who was previously convicted of a crime of violence or a specified drug-related crime; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 883 The President (By Request – Administration) and Senator Forehand

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM

Establishing the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the mission of the Program; requiring the Program to carry out its mission by monitoring the prescribing and dispensing of specified substances by specified prescribers and dispensers; establishing the Advisory Board on Prescription Drug Monitoring to assist in the design, implementation, and evaluation of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 692 Senator Middleton and the President (By Request – Administration), et al

MARYLAND ELECTRICITY SERVICE QUALITY AND RELIABILITY ACT – SAFETY VIOLATIONS

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations on or before July 1, 2012, that implement specified service quality and reliability standards relating to the delivery of electricity to retail customers by electric companies through their distribution systems; requiring regulations to include service quality and reliability standards, account for major outages, and require an electric company to file a corrective action plan if it fails to meet service quality and reliability standards; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 391 Delegate Feldman and the Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

MARYLAND ELECTRICITY SERVICE QUALITY AND RELIABILITY ACT – SAFETY VIOLATIONS

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations on or before July 1, 2012, that implement specified service quality and reliability standards relating to the delivery of electricity to retail customers by electric companies through their distribution systems; requiring regulations to include service quality and reliability standards, account for major outages, and require an electric company to file a corrective action plan if it fails to meet service quality and reliability standards; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 671 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**FEDERAL MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTER EMPOWERMENT (MOVE) ACT COMPLIANCE**

Changing the State election law to comply with the federal Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act; requiring local boards of elections to provide specified information relating to candidates to the State Board of Elections; altering specified deadlines for the filing of specified certificates of candidacy, petitions, certificates of withdrawal, and certificates of designation of candidacy; altering the primary election dates; requiring the State Board to display specified content on its Web site; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1228 The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – FEDERAL EXTENDED BENEFITS FOR THE LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED**

Specifying that, for specified weeks of unemployment, a State “on” indicator for extended unemployment benefits exists under specified circumstances; specifying that a State “off” indicator exists for specified extended unemployment benefits under specified circumstances; prohibiting specified extended benefits from being payable for any week of unemployment beginning before a specified date; establishing the Extended Benefits Fund; stating the purpose of the Fund and the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 171 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – INDEPENDENT HOME CARE PROVIDERS**

Establishing collective bargaining rights for specified independent home care providers; providing that there may be only one appropriate bargaining unit for the providers; authorizing providers to designate an exclusive representative; requiring that procedures be governed by specified provisions of law; providing for the scope of collective bargaining; requiring an exclusive representative to provide specified notice; providing that specified providers are not required to pay a service fee, but are required to make a specified payment; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 14**Senator Gladden****VEHICLE LAWS – RACE–BASED TRAFFIC STOPS**

Requiring law enforcement officers to record data pertaining to traffic stops; requiring law enforcement agencies to report the information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center (MSAC); requiring the Police Training Commission to develop guidelines and a model format to record data; requiring the MSAC to report to the Police Training Commission those law enforcement agencies that fail to comply with the reporting requirements; providing exceptions for law enforcement agencies subject to specified agreements; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 130**Delegate Braveboy, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – RACE–BASED TRAFFIC STOPS**

Requiring law enforcement officers to record specified information pertaining to traffic stops; requiring law enforcement agencies to report specified information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center (MSAC); requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a specified format and guidelines and a standardized format for the reporting of specified data; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a specified model policy; requiring the MSAC to make specified reports; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 15**Senator Madaleno****COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF IMMIGRANTS IN MARYLAND – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Altering the date on which a specified final report by the Commission to Study the Impact of Immigrants in Maryland is due; and extending the termination date of the Commission by 1 year to May 31, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 34**Delegates Malone and Aumann****COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF IMMIGRANTS IN MARYLAND – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Altering the date on which a specified final report by the Commission to Study the Impact of Immigrants in Maryland is due; and extending the termination date of the Commission by 1 year to May 31, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 57 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – CERTIFICATE OF NEED REQUIREMENTS

Expanding the application of specified certificate of need requirements relating to the closure or partial closure of a hospital to specified other health care facilities; authorizing the Maryland Health Care Commission to require specified health care facilities to hold public informational hearings in the counties where the health care facilities are located; and requiring that specified public informational hearings be held in consultation with the Commission and within a specified time period.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 78 **Senator Simonaire**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBER REAPPOINTMENT AND TERMS

Providing that a member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education is eligible for nomination and reappointment under specified circumstances; clarifying that a specified provision of law provides for the term of a member; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 220 **Anne Arundel County Delegation**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBER REAPPOINTMENT AND TERMS

Providing that a member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education is eligible for nomination and reappointment under specified circumstances; clarifying that a specified provision of law provides for the term of a member; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 92 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

**STATE BOARD OF HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-
CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS –
SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2023 the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring the Board to submit a report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 117 Senators Glassman and Rosapepe

**STATE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS –
UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS**

Requiring the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to conduct an unannounced inspection of the office of podiatrists against whom a specified complaint has been filed with the Board, to determine compliance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidelines on universal precautions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 36 Delegate Kach

**STATE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS –
UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS**

Requiring the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to conduct unannounced inspections of the offices of podiatrists against whom a specified complaint has been filed with the Board, to determine compliance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidelines on universal precautions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 125 Senator Gladden**BALTIMORE CITY – USED CAR DEALERS – SUNDAY OPERATIONS**

Authorizing in Baltimore City a used car dealer to sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday, instead of Saturday, if the dealer notifies the Motor Vehicle Administration in advance that the dealer intends to conduct business on Sunday, instead of Saturday.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 624 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**BALTIMORE CITY – USED CAR DEALERS – SUNDAY OPERATIONS**

Authorizing in Baltimore City a used car dealer to sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday, instead of Saturday, if the dealer notifies the Motor Vehicle Administration in advance that the dealer intends to conduct business on Sunday, instead of Saturday.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 142 Senators Zirkin and Raskin**CIVIL ACTION – DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION – MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION**

Repealing the requirement that a plaintiff set forth in detail, in a specified certification, specified efforts by the plaintiff to locate a defendant before a specified insurer or person with a self-insurance plan is required to provide the plaintiff with information on the last known home and business addresses of the defendant; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 146 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – LICENSING

Authorizing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to require an applicant for a license to practice veterinary medicine, a veterinarian, or a veterinary practitioner to submit to a mental or physical examination under specified circumstances; providing that an applicant, a veterinarian, or a veterinary practitioner has consented to submit to an examination if directed by the Board; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 147 Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

STATE COMMISSION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS AND HOME INSPECTORS – HOME INSPECTORS – CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY

Requiring the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors to adopt regulations to require a demonstration of continuing professional competency of up to 30 educational hours as a condition of renewal of a home inspector license; providing for the implementation of the continuing professional competency requirement on a phased-in basis; and providing that specified educational hours from courses offered by specified entities satisfy the continuing professional competence requirement under specified circumstances. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 148 Senator Currie

MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2010 – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – LARGO HIGH SCHOOL PTSA TRACK RENOVATION

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010 to reduce the amount of a matching fund a specified grantee must provide; changing the name of a specified grantee to the Prince George’s County Board of Education; extending the deadline for the grantee to present evidence that a matching fund will be provided; making the Act an emergency measure; and requiring that the Board of Public Works expend or encumber the proceeds of the loan by June 1, 2012.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 149**Senator Currie****MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2010 –
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – FORESTVILLE MILITARY
ACADEMY TRACK**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010 to reduce the amount of a matching fund a specified grantee must provide; changing the name of a specified grantee to the Prince George's County Board of Education; extending the deadline for a specified grantee to present evidence that a matching fund will be provided; making this Act an emergency measure; and requiring that the Board of Public Works expend or encumber the proceeds of the loan by June 1, 2012.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 151**Senator Frosh, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – CONTAINERS OF INFANT FORMULA
MANUFACTURED WITH BISPHENOL-A – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting the State from purchasing infant formula in containers containing a specified amount of bisphenol-A on or after July 1, 2014; prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or distribution of specified containers of infant formula containing a specified amount of bisphenol-A on or after July 1, 2014; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt specified regulations on or before January 1, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 4**Delegate Hubbard, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – CONTAINERS OF INFANT FORMULA
MANUFACTURED WITH BISPHENOL-A – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting the State from purchasing infant formula in containers and prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or distribution of containers containing a specified amount of bisphenol-A on or after July 1, 2014; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations on or before January 1, 2012; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to suspend implementation of provisions of the Act under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 167**Senator Ramirez, et al****PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – TUITION RATES – EXEMPTIONS**

Extending the period within which an honorably discharged veteran must present evidence to qualify for a resident tuition rate; establishing that specified individuals, including undocumented immigrants, shall be exempt from paying the out-of-state tuition rate at community colleges under specified circumstances; requiring documentation that the student or the student's parent or legal guardian has filed a Maryland income tax return during specified years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 196**Senator Garagiola, et al****SEXUAL OFFENSE IN THE FOURTH DEGREE – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS – INCREASE**

Increasing from 1 year to 3 years the period of time within which a prosecution for a specified sexual offense in the fourth degree must be instituted after the offense was committed, if the victim was a minor at the time of the offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 724**Delegate A. Miller, et al****SEXUAL OFFENSE IN THE FOURTH DEGREE – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS – INCREASE**

Increasing from 1 year to 3 years the period of time within which a prosecution for a specified sexual offense in the fourth degree must be instituted after the offense was committed, if the victim was a minor at the time of the offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 200**Senator Zirkin****JUVENILE SERVICES – RECIDIVISM – REPORTING**

Requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to report to the General Assembly on or before January 1 of each year on the recidivism rates of children committed to the Department of Juvenile Services for placement in residential care; establishing that the report shall include recidivism rates by region for all children committed to the Department for placement in residential care, and also recidivism rates by specified facilities; specifying requirements for the report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 204**Senator Forehand, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – DEFINITIONS**

Altering the definition of “sexual act” to include an act in which a part of an individual’s body is used to penetrate specified body parts of another individual; and altering the definition of “sexual contact”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1128**Delegate Valderrama, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – DEFINITIONS**

Altering the definition of “sexual act” to include an act in which a part of an individual’s body is used to penetrate specified body parts of another individual; and altering the definition of “sexual contact”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 221**Senator Conway****ENVIRONMENT – DECABROMINATED DIPHENYL ETHER – TRACE AMOUNTS**

Exempting specified aircraft from the application of a prohibition on the manufacture, lease, sale, or distribution for sale or lease of specified products that contain decabrominated diphenyl ether; altering specified prohibitions on the manufacturing, leasing, selling, or distributing of specified products that contain decabrominated diphenyl ether; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 54**Delegate Hubbard****ENVIRONMENT – DECABROMINATED DIPHENYL ETHER – TRACE AMOUNTS**

Exempting specified aircraft from the application of a prohibition on the manufacture, lease, sale, or distribution for sale or lease of specified products that contain decabrominated diphenyl ether; altering specified prohibitions on the manufacturing, leasing, selling, or distributing of specified products that contain decabrominated diphenyl ether; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL**SB 227****Senators Dyson and Middleton****CHARLOTTE HALL VETERANS HOME – GIFTS AND GRANTS – AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT AND SPEND**

Authorizing the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to accept specified gifts and grants for use at the Home; providing for the uses and administration of the gifts and grants accepted for use at the Home; and requiring the Director of the Veterans Home Program and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to report each year on the status of the gifts and grants accepted for use at the Home.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011**HB 332****Delegate Wood, et al****CHARLOTTE HALL VETERANS HOME – GIFTS AND GRANTS – AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT AND SPEND**

Authorizing the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to accept specified gifts and grants for use at the Home; providing for the uses and administration of the gifts and grants accepted for use at the Home; and requiring the Director of the Veterans Home Program and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to report each year on the status of the gifts and grants accepted for use at the Home.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 235 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

**STATE BOARD OF MASTER ELECTRICIANS – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND REVISION**

Continuing the State Board of Master Electricians in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2023, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board; requiring the State Board to adopt regulations to establish continuing education requirements; conditioning the ability to renew a specified license on compliance with specified continuing education requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 244 Senator Pugh, et al

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – CUSTOMER EDUCATION ON
CUSTOMER CHOICE**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to educate consumers about customer choice in accordance with a specified provision of law; requiring the Commission to host a section on its Web site related to customer choice; requiring the Web site to comply with specified standards and to include specified information; requiring specified electricity suppliers to provide specified information to the Commission at specified intervals for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 597 Delegate Davis

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – CUSTOMER EDUCATION ON
CUSTOMER CHOICE**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to educate consumers about customer choice in accordance with a specified provision of law; requiring the Commission to host a section on its Web site related to customer choice; requiring the Web site to comply with specified standards and to include specified information; requiring specified electricity suppliers to provide specified information to the Commission at specified intervals for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 248**Senator Raskin, et al****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DIRECT WINE SHIPMENT**

Repealing provisions that provide for a direct wine seller's permit; establishing a direct wine shipper's permit to be issued by the Office of the Comptroller; authorizing the Office to issue a common carrier permit to specified persons; requiring a person to obtain a permit before engaging in shipping wine directly to a direct wine consumer in the State; requiring an applicant to meet qualifications for a direct wine shipper's permit, submit an application and documentation, and pay a fee; specifying the term of a direct wine shipper's permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011**HB 1175****Economic Matters Committee, et al****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DIRECT WINE SHIPMENT**

Repealing provisions that provide for a direct wine seller's permit; establishing a direct wine shipper's permit to be issued by the Office of the Comptroller; authorizing the Office to issue a common carrier permit to specified persons for a specified fee; requiring a person to obtain a permit before the person may engage in shipping wine directly to a direct wine consumer in the State; requiring an applicant to meet specified qualifications for a direct wine shipper's permit; specifying the term of a direct wine shipper's permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011**SB 282****Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Education)****FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDERS – AMNESTY PERIOD – REPEAL**

Repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to an amnesty period for unregistered family day care providers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**SB 285 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing
and Regulation)**

**STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION – REINSTATEMENT OF
LICENSES AND INACTIVE STATUS**

Altering, from 4 to 3 years, the time periods within which a licensee must reinstate a license that has expired and reactivate a license that has been placed on inactive status; requiring licensees to comply with continuing education requirements as a condition of licensure renewal; and applying the Act only to licensees whose license is placed on inactive status on or after October 1, 2011.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**SB 287 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing
and Regulation)**

**STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY – EDUCATIONAL
REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE**

Altering the educational requirements for an applicant to take the examination for a license to practice certified public accountancy to 120 semester hours or their equivalent and the possession of a baccalaureate or higher degree; and maintaining the education requirements for a license to practice at 150 semester hours or their equivalent and the possession of a baccalaureate or higher degree.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**SB 289 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Higher Education
Commission)**

**HIGHER EDUCATION – EDWARD T. CONROY MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY**

Altering the eligibility requirements for the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program to include specified persons who live outside the State under specified circumstances; repealing an obsolete provision; and repealing a termination provision.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

**SB 290 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing
and Regulation)**

**STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS –
EXAMINATIONS**

Eliminating specific references to the prescribed lengths of time and methods of delivery of the fundamentals of engineering examination and the principles and practice of engineering examination.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**SB 291 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Veterans Affairs)**

**STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION
– MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Maryland Veterans Commission by replacing the member who is a representative of a women veterans organization in the State with a member who is a woman veteran appointed from the State at large.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**SB 293 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing
and Regulation)**

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
– APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE – EDUCATIONAL AND
EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Clarifying the educational and experience requirements for applicants seeking to take the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE); and establishing additional criteria for meeting the educational and experience requirements for the LARE applicants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 306 Senator Mathias**VEHICLE LAWS – MOTORIZED PASSENGER SCOOTER – USE
IN OCEAN CITY**

Authorizing the use of a “motorized passenger scooter” on specified highways in the municipal boundaries of Ocean City under specified conditions; authorizing the State Highway Administration to prohibit the operation of a motorized passenger scooter on a bicycle way on specified highways under specified circumstances; defining terms; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1167 Delegate Conway, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – MOTORIZED PASSENGER SCOOTER – USE
IN OCEAN CITY**

Authorizing the use of a “motorized passenger scooter” on specified highways in the municipal boundaries of Ocean City under specified conditions; authorizing the State Highway Administration to prohibit the operation of a motorized passenger scooter on a bicycle way on specified highways under specified circumstances; defining terms; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 308 Senator Brinkley, et al**MEDICAL MARIJUANA – AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES –
MARYLAND MEDICAL MARIJUANA MODEL PROGRAM
WORKGROUP**

Establishing that, in a prosecution for the use or possession of marijuana, or the use or possession with intent to use drug paraphernalia related to marijuana, it is an affirmative defense that the defendant used or possessed marijuana or drug paraphernalia related to marijuana because the defendant has a debilitating condition, the condition is severe and resistant to conventional medicine, and marijuana is likely to provide the defendant with therapeutic or palliative relief from the condition; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 309**Senator Kelley****CONSUMER PROTECTION – TRANSPARENCY IN CONSUMER ARBITRATIONS ACT**

Requiring specified arbitration organizations to collect, publish, and make available to the public specified information relating to binding arbitrations to which a consumer is a party; requiring the information to be reported beginning on a specified day and to be updated at least quarterly thereafter; requiring the information to be made available to the public in a specified manner; providing that the information may be considered in making a specified determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 442**Delegate Rosenberg, et al****CONSUMER PROTECTION – TRANSPARENCY IN CONSUMER ARBITRATIONS ACT**

Requiring specified arbitration organizations to collect, publish, and make available to the public specified information relating to binding arbitrations to which a consumer is a party; requiring the information to be reported beginning on a specified day and to be updated at least quarterly thereafter; requiring the information to be made available to the public in a specified manner; providing that the information may be considered in making a specified determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 327**Senator Forehand, et al****HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM PROTECTION ACT**

Authorizing a person convicted of prostitution to file a motion to vacate the judgment under specified circumstances; establishing the requirements for a motion filed under the Act; requiring the court to hold a hearing on the motion under specified circumstances, with a specified exception; authorizing the court to take specified actions in ruling on the motion; requiring the court to state on the record the reason for its ruling on the motion; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 344**Senator Middleton, et al****RESIDENTIAL CHILD AND YOUTH CARE PRACTITIONERS –
CERTIFICATION – IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

Requiring the Governor's Office for Children to establish a workgroup composed of specified representatives to develop a plan for implementation of specified certification; requiring the workgroup to take specified items into consideration in developing the plan; requiring the plan to specify a rate adjustment and recommendations; requiring the Office to report on the workgroup's implementation plan to the Governor and specified legislative committees on or before September 1, 2011; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011**HB 387****Delegate Nathan-Pulliam, et al****RESIDENTIAL CHILD AND YOUTH CARE PRACTITIONERS –
CERTIFICATION – IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

Requiring the Governor's Office for Children to establish a workgroup composed of specified representatives to develop a plan for implementation of specified certification; requiring the workgroup to take specified items into consideration in developing the plan; requiring the plan to specify a rate adjustment and recommendations; requiring the Office to report on the workgroup's implementation plan to the Governor and specified legislative committees on or before September 1, 2011; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011**SB 346****Senator Zirkin****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MARYLAND
DEFENSE FORCE**

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax in the amount of \$3,500 for qualifying members of the Maryland Defense Force; providing that an individual may not qualify for the subtraction modification based on membership in the Maryland Defense Force unless the Maryland Defense Force maintains specified records and provides specified reports; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2011.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 11**Delegate Cardin****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE**

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax in the amount of \$3,500 for qualifying members of the Maryland Defense Force; providing that an individual may not qualify for the subtraction modification based on membership in the Maryland Defense Force unless the Maryland Defense Force maintains specified records and provides specified reports; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2011.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 347**Senator Pugh, et al****TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF ADJUNCT FACULTY ON GRADUATION RATES AT HISTORICALLY BLACK INSTITUTIONS**

Creating the Task Force to Study the Impact of Adjunct Faculty on Graduation Rates at Historically Black Institutions in the State; providing for the membership, duties, compensation, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to make specified findings and recommendations by a specified date; requiring the Task Force to report to the Governor and specified committees by January 1, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 362**Senators Raskin and Ramirez****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – SUPERVISION FEE**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the appropriate local detention center, on the release of an individual supervised by the Division of Parole and Probation, to provide the individual with an oral and a written notice relating to the application for an exemption from a specified monthly supervision fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 749 Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – SUPERVISION FEE**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the appropriate local detention center, on the release of an individual supervised by the Division of Parole and Probation, to provide the individual with an oral and a written notice relating to the application for an exemption from a specified monthly supervision fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 368 Senator Stone**HART-MILLER-PLEASURE ISLAND CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – DUTIES**

Altering the duties of the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island Citizens Oversight Committee to require the Oversight Committee to monitor and provide oversight for future development, use, and maintenance of the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island chain and water quality surrounding the islands; and requiring the Oversight Committee to hear and dispose of complaints by individuals affected by future development and water quality immediately surrounding the Island chain.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 292 Delegate Minnick, et al**HART-MILLER-PLEASURE ISLAND CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – DUTIES**

Altering the duties of the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island Citizens Oversight Committee to require the Oversight Committee to monitor and provide oversight for future development, use, and maintenance of the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island chain and water quality surrounding the islands; and requiring the Oversight Committee to hear and dispose of complaints by individuals affected by future development and water quality immediately surrounding the Island chain.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 370**Senator Conway****ACCOUNTANTS – REGULATION – PREPARATION OF A
COMPILATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Altering specified definitions related to the practice of certified public accountancy; including the preparation of specified compilations of financial statements in the list of services that are not prohibited, under specified circumstances, under specified provisions of law; altering a requirement that specified firms hold specified permits under specified circumstances; requiring the State Board of Public Accountancy to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011**HB 328****Delegate Feldman****ACCOUNTANTS – REGULATION – PREPARATION OF A
COMPILATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Altering specified definitions related to the practice of certified public accountancy; including the preparation of specified compilations of financial statements in the list of services that are not prohibited, under specified circumstances, under specified provisions of law that regulate certified public accountants; altering a requirement that specified firms hold specified permits under specified circumstances; requiring the State Board of Public Accountancy to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011**SB 371****Senator Conway****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – DISCIPLINE OF HEALTH
CARE PRACTITIONERS – FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH
GOVERNOR'S ORDER**

Authorizing each health occupations board to take disciplinary action against a health care practitioner who fails to comply with an order from the Governor relating to catastrophic health emergencies, subject to the hearing provisions that govern the discipline of that health care practitioner by each respective board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 503 Delegate Bromwell, et al**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – DISCIPLINE OF HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS – FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH GOVERNOR’S ORDER**

Authorizing each health occupations board to take disciplinary action against a health care practitioner who fails to comply with an order from the Governor relating to catastrophic health emergencies, subject to the hearing provisions that govern the discipline of that health care practitioner by each respective board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 373 Senators Kasemeyer and DeGrange**VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEES – NONINTERFERENCE**

Prohibiting a video lottery operation licensee from interfering with, hindering, obstructing, impeding, or taking any action to delay the implementation or establishment of a video lottery facility by any other video lottery operation licensee or applicant; requiring the State Lottery Commission to adopt regulations, to the fullest extent allowed by the U.S. Constitution, to carry out the provisions of the Act; applying the Act prospectively; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 868 Delegate Hixson, et al**VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATION LICENSEES – NONINTERFERENCE**

Prohibiting a video lottery operation licensee from interfering with, hindering, obstructing, impeding, or taking any action to delay the implementation or establishment of a video lottery facility by any other video lottery operation licensee or applicant; requiring the State Lottery Commission to adopt regulations, to the fullest extent allowed by the U.S. Constitution, to carry out the provisions of the Act; applying the Act prospectively; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 374**Senator Gladden****BALTIMORE CITY – CIRCUIT COURT – GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION**

Altering the law relating to grand jury investigations in Baltimore City by requiring a grand jury to carry out an investigation if directed to by a judge of the circuit court instead of as directed by a judge of the circuit court; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 416**Senator Middleton, et al****HEALTH OFFICERS – AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS FOR DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

Authorizing a county health officer, subject to the consent of the governing body of the county and the written approval of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, to enter into a contract or other written agreement to assist or participate in the delivery of health care services with a person that is authorized to provide, finance, coordinate, facilitate, or otherwise deliver health care services in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 709**Delegate V. Turner, et al****HEALTH OFFICERS – AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS FOR DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

Authorizing a health officer for a county, subject to the consent of the governing body of the county and the written approval of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, to enter into a contract or other written agreement to assist or participate in the delivery of health care services with a person that is authorized to provide, finance, coordinate, facilitate, or otherwise deliver health care services in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 468 Carroll County Senators**CARROLL COUNTY – DEER HUNTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY – SUNDAYS**

Authorizing a person in Carroll County to hunt deer on the last three Sundays in October and the second Sunday in November on private property with a bow and arrow; and removing Carroll County from the list of counties in which deer hunting on private property on specified Sundays is prohibited.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 496 Senator Brinkley**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY LICENSE – SAMPLES AND SALES**

Altering the number of beer samples that a holder of a brewery license may provide to a person of legal drinking age who participates in a tour, promotional event, or other organized activity at the licensed premises; increasing the sample size that a holder may provide at a promotional event; increasing from 4 to 12 the limit on special brewery promotional event permits that may be issued to a holder in a year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1202 Delegates Malone and DeBoy**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY LICENSE – SAMPLES AND SALES**

Altering the number of beer samples that a holder of a brewery license may provide to a person of legal drinking age who participates in a tour, promotional event, or other organized activity at the licensed premises; increasing the sample size that a holder may provide at a promotional event; increasing from 4 to 12 the limit on special brewery promotional event permits that may be issued to a holder in a year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 512 Senators Edwards and Miller**GAMING – VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS**

Prohibiting the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission from awarding a video lottery operation license for a location in Allegany County unless an applicant agrees to purchase the Rocky Gap Lodge and Resort; limiting the number of video lottery terminals for operation at a video lottery facility in Allegany County; altering the hours of operation of video lottery facilities on specified days; altering the distributions of video lottery terminal proceeds from a video lottery facility in Allegany County; waiving a specified fee; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 513 Senator Middleton**MARYLAND ESTATE TAX – PAYMENT DEFERRAL FOR QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY – EXTENSION OF PAYMENT DEFERRAL**

Authorizing the Comptroller to grant an extension to a specified deferred tax payment period if a qualified recipient has a pending application to place specified land under a permanent land conservation easement with the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation or the Rural Legacy Board; requiring the Comptroller to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 514 Senators Middleton and Kasemeyer**MARYLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION – HEALTH CARE REFORM – IMPLEMENTATION**

Authorizing the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission to provide specified assistance to community health resources; authorizing the Commission to examine specified issues and potential challenges to community health resources in preparing to implement specified health care reform; requiring the Commission to make recommendations to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 450 Delegates Hubbard and Hammen**MARYLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION
– HEALTH CARE REFORM – IMPLEMENTATION**

Authorizing the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission to provide specified assistance to community health resources in preparing to implement specified health care reform; authorizing the Commission to examine specified issues and potential challenges for community health resources in preparing to implement specified health care reform; requiring the Commission to make recommendations to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 515 Senators Zirkin and Miller**PUBLIC DEFENDER – REPRESENTATION – INCOME
ELIGIBILITY AND APPOINTMENT BY A COURT**

Establishing that specified individuals may be eligible for services from the Office of the Public Defender without an assessment regarding the need of the individual; establishing that the determination of eligibility for services from the Office of the Public Defender based on need applies for an individual whose assets and net annual income equal or exceed a specified amount; and establishing that the courts are prohibited from appointing an attorney through the Office of the Public Defender under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 516 Senator Forehand, et al**FORECLOSED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – TENANTS –
COLLECTION OF RENT PAYMENTS – PRIOR NOTICE**

Prohibiting a foreclosure sale purchaser from exercising any right to collect rent payments from a bona fide tenant in possession of a residential property unless the purchaser conducts a specified reasonable inquiry concerning the occupancy of the residential property and serves on each bona fide tenant a specified notice concerning rent payments; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 842**Delegate Healey, et al****FORECLOSED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – TENANTS –
COLLECTION OF RENT PAYMENTS – PRIOR NOTICE**

Prohibiting a foreclosure sale purchaser from exercising any right to collect rent payments from a bona fide tenant in possession of a residential property unless the purchaser conducts a specified reasonable inquiry concerning the occupancy of the residential property and serves on each bona fide tenant a specified notice concerning rent payments; providing that a foreclosure sale purchaser waives claim to specified rent payments before satisfying notice requirements, with a specified exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 534**Senator Shank, et al****WASHINGTON COUNTY – BOARD OF ELECTIONS –
MEMBERSHIP AND COMPENSATION**

Altering which salaries the Washington County Salary Study Commission is required to study; increasing the number of regular members of the Washington County Board of Elections to five; requiring the members of the local board to be of specified political parties; requiring a vacancy on the local board to be filled in a specified manner; repealing the requirement that members of the local board be paid a specified amount; making the Act effective June 6, 2011; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2011

SB 556**Senator Pugh, et al****MENTAL HYGIENE ADMINISTRATION – FACILITIES –
TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE**

Requiring specified facilities to provide clinical, direct care, and other staff with regular patient interaction training in trauma-informed care and to conform with trauma-informed care principles under specified circumstances; requiring specified individuals to report specified abuse under specified circumstances; requiring State facilities to report complaints of sexual abuse or sexual harassment to the State designated protection and advocacy system; requiring the Mental Hygiene Administration to implement a pilot program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1150 Delegate Hubbard, et al**MENTAL HYGIENE ADMINISTRATION – FACILITIES – TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE**

Requiring specified facilities to provide clinical, direct care, and other staff with regular patient interaction training in trauma-informed care and to conform with trauma-informed care principles under specified circumstances; requiring specified individuals to report specified abuse under specified circumstances; requiring State facilities to report complaints of sexual abuse or sexual harassment to the State designated protection and advocacy system; requiring the Mental Hygiene Administration to implement a pilot program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 557 Senator Pugh, et al**COMMISSION ON MARYLAND CYBERSECURITY INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE**

Establishing the Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence; specifying the membership, cochair, staff, and purpose of the Commission; requiring the Commission to conduct an overview of laws, develop plans and policies, make recommendations, and carry out duties regarding cybersecurity and innovation; requiring the Commission to submit an interim report, including recommended legislation, to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2012, and a final report by September 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 665 Delegate Lee, et al**COMMISSION ON MARYLAND CYBERSECURITY INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE**

Establishing the Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence; specifying the membership, cochair, staff, and purpose of the Commission; requiring the Commission to conduct an overview of laws, develop plans and policies, make recommendations, and carry out duties regarding cybersecurity and innovation; requiring the Commission to submit an interim report, including recommended legislation, to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2012, and a final report by September 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 456**Delegate Morhaim, et al****PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION**

Repealing the requirement that procurement procedures seek to award 7 percent and 10 percent of a unit's total dollar value of contracts to African American–owned and women–owned businesses respectively; clarifying that it is a goal that 25 percent of a unit's total dollar value of procurement contracts be made to certified minority business enterprises; requiring the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs, in consultation with specified others, to establish guidelines, including possible subgoals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 120**Senator Conway, et al****PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION**

Repealing the requirement that procurement procedures seek to award 7 percent and 10 percent of a unit's total dollar value of contracts to African–American–owned and women–owned businesses respectively; clarifying that it is a goal that 25 percent of a unit's total dollar value of procurement contracts be made to certified minority business enterprises; requiring the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs, in consultation with specified others, to establish guidelines, including possible subgoals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 558**Senator Pugh, et al****MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM –
AMENDMENTS TO MBE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE AND
EXTENSION OF TASK FORCE**

Requiring a bidder or offeror to notify a specified unit of State government within 72 hours of making the determination if, after submission of a bid or proposal and before the execution of a specified contract, the bidder or offeror determines that a certified minority business enterprise identified in the MBE participation schedule has become or will become unavailable or is ineligible to perform the work required under the contract; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 562 Senator Pugh**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE –
RECOVERY HOMES – BEST PRACTICES**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify standards for best practices on recovery homes in the State, and to report findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2011.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 568 Senators Pugh and Kittleman**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – WORKERS’ COMPENSATION –
VENUE FOR APPEAL**

Altering the venue available to individuals and employers appealing a decision of the Workers’ Compensation Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 392 Delegate Feldman, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – WORKERS’ COMPENSATION –
VENUE FOR APPEAL**

Altering the venue available to individuals and employers appealing a decision of the Workers’ Compensation Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 569 Senator Mathias**SOMERSET COUNTY – SMITH ISLAND SOLID WASTE
DISTRICT – REMOVE LIMITATION ON FEE**

Repealing limitations on the amount of the solid waste removal fee imposed on property in the Smith Island Solid Waste District in Somerset County.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 571**Senator Pugh****INSURANCE – DELIVERY OF NOTICES BY ELECTRONIC MEANS – AUTHORIZED**

Authorizing any notice to an applicant, insured or a policyholder required to be given by an insurer under specified provisions of law governing insurance policy cancellations, nonrenewals, premium increases, and reductions of coverage to be delivered by electronic means under specified circumstances; providing that delivery of a notice by electronic means shall be considered equivalent to the delivery method required under specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 763**Delegate Feldman****INSURANCE – DELIVERY OF NOTICES BY ELECTRONIC MEANS – AUTHORIZED**

Authorizing any notice to an applicant, insured, or a policyholder required to be given by an insurer under specified provisions of law governing insurance policy cancellations, nonrenewals, premium increases, and reductions of coverage to be delivered by electronic means under specified circumstances; providing that delivery of a notice by electronic means shall be considered equivalent to the delivery method required under specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 607**Senator Conway****AGRICULTURE – WASTE KITCHEN GREASE**

Requiring, with specified exceptions, a person to register annually with the Department of Agriculture before transporting waste kitchen grease; requiring a specified person to submit a specified application to the Department in the form required by the Department; requiring the application to include specified information and fees; requiring the Department to register specified applicants and issue each registrant specified items; requiring each registrant to carry a certificate when transporting waste kitchen grease; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 881**Delegate S. Robinson****AGRICULTURE – WASTE KITCHEN GREASE**

Requiring, with specified exceptions, a person to register annually with the Department of Agriculture before transporting waste kitchen grease; requiring a specified person to submit a specified application to the Department in the form required by the Department; requiring the application to include specified information and fees; requiring the Department to register specified applicants and issue each registrant specified items; requiring each registrant to carry and display a certificate when transporting waste kitchen grease; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 613**Senators Jones–Rodwell and Pugh****BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY – ETHICS, STAFF COMPENSATION, OPEN MEETINGS, AND PERFORMANCE AUDIT**

Prohibiting a commissioner or employee of the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City from having specified interests concerning the distribution of alcoholic beverages; requiring the Board to set for its appellate counsel the same compensation and benefits as are set for specified inspectors; making actions of a commissioner or employee subject to open meetings laws; requiring the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct performance audits of the Board to evaluate operations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 620**Senator Manno, et al****REAL PROPERTY – RETALIATORY ACTIONS – LANDLORDS AND MOBILE HOME PARK OWNERS**

Altering the actions that a landlord or mobile home park owner is prohibited from taking against a tenant or resident, respectively, for specified reasons; altering the reference to a specified prohibited action of a landlord or park owner to be a “retaliatory action”; authorizing a tenant or resident to raise the retaliatory action of a landlord or park owner, respectively, in defense to an action for possession or as an affirmative claim for specified damages; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 670**Delegate Frush, et al****REAL PROPERTY – RETALIATORY ACTIONS – LANDLORDS
AND MOBILE HOME PARK OWNERS**

Altering the actions that a landlord or mobile home park owner is prohibited from taking against a tenant or resident, respectively, for specified reasons; altering the reference to a specified prohibited action of a landlord or park owner to be a “retaliatory action”; authorizing a tenant or resident to raise the retaliatory action of a landlord or park owner, respectively, in defense to an action for possession or as an affirmative claim for specified damages; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 639**Senator Benson, et al****TASK FORCE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE
SPAY/NEUTER FUND**

Establishing a Task Force on the Establishment of a Statewide Spay/Neuter Fund; specifying the membership, chair, and staff of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to review specified spay/neuter programs, collect and review specified data, and make recommendations regarding a spay/neuter fund; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2012; terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 641**Senator Benson****POLYSOMNOGRAPHY – TECHNOLOGISTS LICENSURE**

Extending to October 1, 2013, the date by which an individual is required to be licensed by the State Board of Physicians before the individual may practice polysomnography in the State; extending to September 30, 2013, the date on or before which the Board is required to waive a specified education requirement for specified individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 560**Delegate Hubbard, et al****POLYSOMNOGRAPHY – TECHNOLOGISTS LICENSURE**

Extending to October 1, 2013, the date by which an individual is required to be licensed by the State Board of Physicians before the individual may practice polysomnography in the State; extending to September 30, 2013, the date before which the Board is required to waive a specified education requirement for specified individuals; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 658**Senator Kelley, et al****STATE COMMISSION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS AND HOME INSPECTORS – SPECIAL FUND AND REGISTRATION AND REGULATION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES**

Requiring specified persons to register as appraisal management companies with the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors; requiring an appraisal management company's registration to include specified information in a specified form; establishing that a registration is valid for a specified period of time; requiring the Commission to collect a specified national registry fee from appraisal management companies; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1181**Delegates Braveboy and Stifler****STATE COMMISSION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS AND HOME INSPECTORS – SPECIAL FUND AND REGISTRATION AND REGULATION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES**

Requiring specified persons to register as appraisal management companies with the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors; requiring an appraisal management company's registration to include specified information in a specified form; establishing that a registration is valid for a specified period of time; requiring the Commission to collect a specified national registry fee from appraisal management companies; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 664**Senator Middleton****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – NITROUS OXIDE**

Altering the definition of “practice dental hygiene” for purposes of specified provisions of law governing dental hygienists; authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to adopt specified regulations; authorizing a dental hygienist, under specified circumstances, to monitor a patient to whom nitrous oxide is administered; requiring a dental hygienist to complete specified education and examination requirements before performing specified functions; and terminating the Act at the end of September 30, 2014.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 841**Delegate Kipke, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – NITROUS OXIDE**

Altering the definition of “practice dental hygiene” for purposes of specified provisions of law governing dental hygienists; authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to adopt regulations; authorizing a dental hygienist, under specified circumstances, to monitor a patient to whom nitrous oxide is administered; requiring a dental hygienist to complete specified educational and examination requirements before performing specified functions; and terminating the Act at the end of September 30, 2014.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 679**Senator Brinkley, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – OVERTAKING AND PASSING SCHOOL VEHICLES – SCHOOL BUS MONITORING CAMERAS**

Authorizing a law enforcement agency, in consultation with a county board of education, to place school bus monitoring cameras on county school buses for the purpose of recording motor vehicles committing violations relating to overtaking and passing school vehicles, if authorized to do so by the local governing body; requiring a recorded image made by a school bus monitoring camera to include specified images and information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 689 **Senator Middleton****MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS – ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY
REGISTRATION PLATE – LAPSED SECURITY – REGISTRATION**

Authorizing a licensed motor vehicle dealer to issue a temporary registration plate to a vehicle buyer who is subject to a penalty for lapsed security for another vehicle; and establishing an exception for specified vehicles to the prohibition against the Motor Vehicle Administration issuing a new registration if the vehicle owner is subject to a penalty for lapsed security.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 319 **Delegate Frush****MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS – ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY
REGISTRATION PLATE – LAPSED SECURITY – REGISTRATION**

Authorizing a licensed motor vehicle dealer to issue a temporary registration plate to a vehicle buyer who is subject to a penalty for lapsed security for another vehicle; establishing an exception for specified vehicles to the prohibition against the Motor Vehicle Administration issuing a new registration if the vehicle owner is subject to a penalty for lapsed security; and making a technical correction.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 693 **Senator Middleton****INJURED WORKERS' INSURANCE FUND – EMPLOYEE
COMPENSATION**

Providing that employees of the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund are not subject to specified laws, regulations, or executive orders governing State employee compensation; and repealing a requirement that the Board for the Fund set compensation for its employees in accordance with the State pay plan.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 695**Senator Pinsky, et al**

HIGHER EDUCATION – REGULATION OF PUBLIC, PRIVATE NONPROFIT, AND FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Distinguishing between public, private nonprofit, and for-profit institutions of higher education; clarifying that a person is prohibited from engaging in unfair or deceptive practices in the offer for sale of specified educational services; authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to create and provide for the operation of specified guaranty funds; prohibiting specified State money from being transferred or reverted to the General Fund; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 728**Senator Simonaire**

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP AND PRACTICE SPECIALTIES

Increasing the number of members of the State Board for Professional Engineers; requiring one of the engineer members of the Board to be appointed, without regard to specific professional practice, from a list submitted by the Maryland Society of Professional Engineers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1135**Delegate Love, et al**

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP AND PRACTICE SPECIALTIES

Increasing the number of members of the State Board for Professional Engineers; and requiring one of the engineer members of the Board to be appointed, without regard for a specific professional practice, from a list submitted by the Maryland Society of Professional Engineers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 741 Senators Pugh and Madaleno**COMMERCIAL LAW – DEBT SETTLEMENT SERVICES**

Prohibiting a person from providing debt settlement services in the State unless the person is registered as a debt settlement services provider with the Commissioner of Financial Regulation or is exempt; prohibiting a registrant from charging a debt settlement services fee until after specified actions have taken place; requiring that a debt settlement services agreement include specified information and disclosures; providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice; terminating the Act on June 30, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1022 Delegate Vaughn, et al**COMMERCIAL LAW – DEBT SETTLEMENT SERVICES**

Prohibiting a person from providing debt settlement services in the State unless the person is registered as a debt settlement services provider with the Commissioner of Financial Regulation or is exempt; prohibiting a registrant from charging a debt settlement services fee until after specified actions have taken place; requiring that a debt settlement services agreement include specified information and disclosures; providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice; terminating the Act on June 30, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 746 Senator Stone**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – TASK FORCE ON INDUSTRIAL JOB CREATION IN BALTIMORE COUNTY**

Establishing the Task Force on Industrial Job Creation in Baltimore County; specifying the membership, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to determine the causes of the loss of employment opportunities in specified industries and businesses in Baltimore County and make recommendations, including legislative and policy proposals; requiring the Task Force to consider findings of the Maryland Economic Development Commission and the Governor's Commission on Small Business for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 747**Senator Stone, et al****DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – ADDITIONAL RELIEF – AWARD OF TEMPORARY POSSESSION OF PET**

Authorizing a District Court Commissioner, in a specified interim protective order, and a judge, in a temporary protective order or final protective order, to award temporary possession of any pet of a person eligible for relief or a respondent; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 407**Delegate McComas, et al****DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – ADDITIONAL RELIEF – AWARD OF TEMPORARY POSSESSION OF PET**

Authorizing a District Court Commissioner, in a specified interim protective order, and a judge, in a temporary protective order or final protective order, to award temporary possession of any pet of a person eligible for relief or a respondent.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 751**Senator Manno****ENVIRONMENT – DISHWASHING DETERGENT CONTAINING PHOSPHORUS – PENALTIES**

Establishing a penalty for knowingly selling or distributing for use or sale within the State specified household dishwashing detergents.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 755**Senator Pugh****TASK FORCE TO STUDY HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT RATES OF PERSONS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM**

Establishing the Task Force to Study High School Dropout Rates of Persons in the Criminal Justice System; providing for the membership and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the chair of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study high school dropout statistics of specified persons in the criminal justice system, obtain specified data, and make recommendations in a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 757**Senators Kittleman and Raskin****ELECTION LAW – ELECTRONIC MEDIA – ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES**

Repealing requirements that a campaign finance entity make a disbursement only by check; requiring a campaign finance entity to make a disbursement by specified methods; requiring an electronic method of making a disbursement that the State Board authorizes by regulation to satisfy specified requirements; repealing a requirement that a contribution in excess of \$100 be made only by check or credit card; requiring that a contribution be made by specified methods; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 765**Senator Young, et al****ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION – EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

Requiring State agencies to provide specified data to the State Board of Elections for the purpose of maintaining an accurate statewide voter registration list; prohibiting the State Board from disclosing specified data it receives except under specified circumstances; authorizing the State Board to enter into agreements with other states to exchange specified data that is relevant to maintaining accurate voter registration lists; requiring the State Board and the Motor Vehicle Administration jointly to submit a report; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 561**Delegates Cardin and Rosenberg****ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION – EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

Requiring State agencies to provide specified data to the State Board of Elections for the purpose of maintaining an accurate statewide voter registration list; prohibiting the State Board from disclosing specified data it receives except under specified circumstances; authorizing the State Board to enter into agreements with other states to exchange specified data that is relevant to maintaining accurate voter registration lists; requiring the State Board and the Motor Vehicle Administration jointly to submit a report; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 787**Senator Raskin, et al****JUVENILE SERVICES – SERVICES AND PROGRAMS FOR FEMALES**

Requiring the Department of Juvenile Services to provide a report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2011, including statewide and regional information on the utilization of prevention and diversion services, alternatives to detention, the continuum of services for those committed to the Department for probation or residential placement, and educational and vocational training services.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 511**Delegate Dumais, et al****JUVENILE SERVICES – SERVICES AND PROGRAMS FOR FEMALES**

Requiring the Department of Juvenile Services to provide a report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2011, including statewide and regional information on the utilization of prevention and diversion services, alternatives to detention, the continuum of services for those committed to the Department for probation or residential placement, and educational and vocational training services.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 806**Senator Young, et al****ELECTION LAW – ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION**

Authorizing an individual to apply to become a registered voter through an online voter registration system; authorizing the State Board of Elections to operate an online voter registration system that allows an individual to apply to register to vote and make specified changes in the individual's existing voter registration record; requiring an individual who applies to register to vote through the online voter registration system to follow specified procedures and provide specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 740 Delegates Cardin and Rosenberg**ELECTION LAW – ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION**

Authorizing an individual to apply to become a registered voter through an online voter registration system; authorizing the State Board of Elections to operate an online voter registration system that allows an individual to apply to register to vote and make specified changes in the individual's existing voter registration record; requiring an individual who applies to register to vote through the online voter registration system to follow specified procedures and provide specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 821 Senators Brinkley and Young**FREDERICK COUNTY – WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS – FARMERS' MARKETS**

Authorizing the issuance of not more than 12 additional winery special event permits to Class 4 wineries for use in farmers' markets in Frederick County that are listed in the Farmers' Markets Directory of the Maryland Department of Agriculture; prohibiting a holder of a permit from selling wine by the glass; and requiring that a specified individual who is certified by a specified alcohol awareness program be present during the hours when wine may be sold.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

SB 822 Senator Middleton**MARYLAND COMMUNITIES FOR A LIFETIME ACT**

Establishing the Maryland Communities for a Lifetime Program within the Department of Aging; requiring the Secretary of Aging, with the advice of the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council, to include provisions for funding grants sought by Communities for a Lifetime within an Innovations for Aging Services Program plan in a specified manner; requiring the Department to collect and make available best practices on policies to encourage aging-in-place; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 836**Senator McFadden****BALTIMORE CITY – 45TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine and liquor license in the 45th alcoholic beverages district; authorizing the holder of a Class A license to exercise off-sale privileges on a specified number of additional Sundays during a calendar year; requiring that a specified license fee be paid before a specified time; increasing the number of Sundays during which specified Class D licensees may sell alcoholic beverages during a calendar year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 839**Senator Gladden****COUNTIES – KENNEL LICENSES – REQUIREMENTS FOR BREEDERS**

Requiring a person to obtain a kennel license if the person owns or has custody of 15 or more unspayed female dogs over the age of 6 months kept for the purpose of breeding the dogs and selling their offspring and sells dogs from six or more litters in a year; requiring each county to collect and maintain specified information for each kennel license issued; requiring each county to report specified information to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation on or before January 15 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 841**Senator Pugh****ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS – ARTISTIC WORK – DESIGN**

Altering the definition of “artistic work” for the purpose of designating an arts and entertainment district to include original and creative work that falls into the category of original design, rather than specifically clothing design.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1281 Delegate Stukes, et al**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS – ARTISTIC WORK – DESIGN**

Altering the definition of “artistic work” for the purpose of designating an arts and entertainment district to include original and creative work that falls into the category of original design, rather than specifically clothing design.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 850 Senator Middleton**LICENSED INSURANCE PRODUCERS – INFORMATION ON STATE HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Authorizing a licensed insurance producer to provide to a specified small employer information about State health programs in accordance with regulations adopted by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1178 Delegate Tarrant, et al**LICENSED INSURANCE PRODUCERS – INFORMATION ON STATE HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Authorizing a licensed insurance producer to provide to a specified small employer information about State health programs in accordance with regulations adopted by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 875 Senator Klausmeier (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BALTIMORE COUNTY – LICENSE FEES**

Altering alcoholic beverages license fees within Baltimore County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 891**Senator Edwards****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – QUALIFIED DISTRESSED COUNTIES**

Altering the definition of “qualified distressed county” for specified purposes, including the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund, the Linked Deposit Program, the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit, and the College Readiness Outreach Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 906**Senator Mathias****WORCESTER COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL – WINE AND LIQUOR PURCHASING OPTION**

Abolishing the Liquor Control Board for Worcester County and replacing it with the Worcester County Department of Liquor Control; specifying that the Department is a department of the county government; authorizing an alcoholic beverages licensee in the county, beginning on May 1, 2016, to elect to purchase wine or liquor from a licensed wholesaler in addition to or instead of from the Department; requiring the licensee to provide notice to the Department with specified information; repealing a specified minimum price; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 913**Senators Colburn and Pipkin****CAROLINE COUNTY – BOARD OF ELECTIONS – MEMBERSHIP AND COMPENSATION**

Increasing to five the number of regular members of the Caroline County Board of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of specified political parties; requiring a vacancy on the local board to be filled in a specified manner; increasing the amount of compensation for the president and other regular members of the local board; making the Act effective June 6, 2011; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2011

SB 950 Senator Ramirez**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS – PRECIOUS METAL OBJECTS – HOLDING PERIOD**

Increasing to 30 days from 18 days the period of time during which secondhand precious metal object dealers in Prince George's County must keep precious metal objects in the county; and providing an exception for specified pawned precious metal objects.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1116 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS – PRECIOUS METAL OBJECTS – HOLDING PERIOD PG 416–11**

Increasing to 30 days from 18 days the period of time during which secondhand precious metal object dealers in Prince George's County must keep precious metal objects in the county; and providing an exception for specified pawned precious metal objects.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 960 Senator Middleton**HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS – INVESTIGATIONS – INFORMATION SHARING AMONG STATE AGENCIES**

Adding to the list of entities to which the Health Services Cost Review Commission may disclose physician information; altering the list of entities that may be medical review committees charged by law to evaluate matters relating to health care providers; requiring the Board of Physicians to disclose information contained in a record to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and specified agencies for a specified purpose; specifying that provisions of the Act do not alter the authority of the Secretary; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 600**Delegate Hammen, et al****HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS – INVESTIGATIONS –
INFORMATION SHARING AMONG STATE AGENCIES**

Adding to the list of entities to which the Health Services Cost Review Commission may disclose physician information; altering the list of entities that may be medical review committees charged by law to evaluate matters relating to health care providers; requiring the Board of Physicians to disclose information contained in a record to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and specified agencies for a specified purpose; specifying that provisions of the Act do not alter the authority of the Secretary; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 975**Senator Edwards****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR
WESTERN MARYLAND – MEMBERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland; establishing an Executive Committee for the Council and providing for the Executive Committee's officers and terms of office; defining "member county"; and providing for the initial membership of the Executive Committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 980**Senator Middleton****CREDIT UNIONS – BOARDS OF DIRECTORS –
ELECTRONICALLY CONDUCTED ELECTIONS**

Authorizing the election of the board of directors of a credit union to be conducted electronically under specified circumstances; requiring the secretary of a credit union, for an election of directors conducted electronically, to provide specified information and a specified identification form to each member of the credit union in good standing as provided in regulations adopted by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation; requiring the Commissioner to establish specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

SB 993**Senator Middleton, et al****MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION**

Providing that employees of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund are not subject to laws, regulations, or executive orders governing State employee compensation; repealing a requirement for the Executive Director of the Fund to determine the compensation of personnel of the Fund in accordance with the State pay plan; requiring the Executive Director to administer the compensation of the personnel of the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

SB 997**Senator Klausmeier****BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – EXPIRATION OF LICENSES – EXTENSION FOR CASUALTY LOSS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County under specified circumstances to extend an alcoholic beverages license for not more than 2 years if the licensed premises is forced to close because of a casualty loss; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 12**Delegate Beitzel, et al****PROCUREMENT – EMPLOYEE UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT – PLACE OF MANUFACTURE**

Prohibiting a public employer, under specified circumstances, from knowingly buying, furnishing, or requiring an employee to buy or acquire for use while on duty specified uniforms and other equipment unless the uniforms or equipment are manufactured in the United States; requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt specified regulations; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 39**Delegates Conway and McDermott****SLOT MACHINES FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ON THE EASTERN SHORE – EXPANSION AND OVERSIGHT**

Requiring the State Comptroller to regulate the operation of slot machines by eligible organizations in specified counties; adding Worcester County to the list of counties in which nonprofit fraternal, religious, and war veterans' organizations may own and operate not more than five slot machines; authorizing the Comptroller to adopt regulations; prohibiting the Comptroller from issuing licenses for slot machines to specified eligible organizations in specified locations in Ocean City; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 67**The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the State Board of Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2023, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2022; and requiring the chairs of specified design boards to submit a specified report on or before October 1, 2011.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 69**The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the State Board for Professional Engineers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2023, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2022; and requiring the Board to submit a specified report on or before October 1, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

**HB 109 Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Transportation)**

**TRANSPORTATION – OUTDOOR SIGNS ALONG FEDERAL-AID
PRIMARY HIGHWAYS – SCENIC BYWAYS**

Prohibiting the State Highway Administration from issuing a permit for an outdoor sign along or near a federal-aid primary highway if the sign is along or near a scenic byway located on the federal-aid primary highway.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 115 Delegate Tarrant, et al

**BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS –
ANNUAL REPORT REQUIREMENT – REPEAL**

Repealing the requirement that the Chief Executive Officer and the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners of the Baltimore City Public School System issue an annual report; repealing specified review, comment, and consideration requirements related to the annual report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 125 Delegate Stukes, et al

**VEHICLE LAWS – ACCIDENTS INVOLVING SELF-INSURED
VEHICLES – REQUIRED INFORMATION**

Requiring the driver of a self-insured vehicle involved in an accident to give evidence of self-insurance in the form required by the Motor Vehicle Administration to specified persons; requiring the Administration to adopt specified regulations; and requiring the evidence of self-insurance to include specified information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

**HB 195 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

**SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS AND
PAWNBROKERS – LICENSE APPLICATION AND RENEWAL
FEES**

Increasing the application fee and license renewal fee relating to licenses for secondhand precious metal object dealers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 202**Delegate Kaiser, et al****EDUCATION – DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED – PROTECTED CLASSES**

Altering a provision of law relating to discrimination in the employment of public school employees in the State to conform to other provisions of State law governing discrimination in employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 228**Delegates Haddaway–Riccio and Eckardt****HOUSING AUTHORITIES – CONSOLIDATION OR MERGER – TALBOT COUNTY AND ST. MICHAELS**

Authorizing the Housing Commission of Talbot County and the St. Michaels Housing Authority to unite by consolidation or merger to form one authority; requiring the unification of the Housing Commission of Talbot County and the St. Michaels Housing Authority to be initiated by the passage of a proposal of unification by the legislative body of the Town of Easton and the legislative body of the Town of St. Michaels; requiring the appointment of a specified commission to draft proposed articles of organization for a proposed authority; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 233**Delegate Barve, et al****COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS – DIRECT DEPOSIT OF WAGES**

Authorizing counties and municipal corporations to pay wages of employees by direct deposit and to require an employee to receive payment of wages by direct deposit as a condition of employment; prohibiting a county or municipal corporation from requiring the payment of wages by direct deposit for an employee who was hired before October 1, 2011, whose employment is not conditioned on the employee receiving payment of wages by direct deposit, or who does not have a personal bank account and opts out of direct deposit; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 245 Howard County Delegation**HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE HO. CO. 5–11**

Creating in Howard County a beer, wine and liquor tasting (BWLTT) license; specifying to whom the license may be issued; setting maximum limits on the amounts of alcoholic beverages that may be served under a BWLTT license; setting the annual license fee; authorizing the Howard County Board of License Commissioners to adopt rules or regulations to implement the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 255 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Resources)**FAMILY LAW – ADOPTION SEARCH, CONTACT, AND REUNION SERVICES – SIBLINGS OF MINORS IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT**

Altering the definition of “search, contact, and reunion services” to include contacting specified adopted siblings of a minor in out-of-home placement for a specified purpose; authorizing a director of a local department of social services acting on behalf of a minor in out-of-home placement to apply for search, contact, and reunion services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 267 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al**PUBLIC ETHICS LAWS – BALTIMORE CITY – HEALTH DEPARTMENT, POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD**

Altering the provisions of the Maryland Public Ethics Law to provide that employees of the Baltimore City Health Department, the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City, the civilian employees and police officers of the Police Department of Baltimore City, and the members and employees of the Civilian Review Board are subject only to the Baltimore City Public Ethics Law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 270 Delegate Eckardt, et al**DORCHESTER COUNTY – TAX SALES – ADVERTISEMENT AND AUCTIONEER FEES**

Decreasing, from 4 to 3, the number of times a specified notice is required to be published in Dorchester County in connection with specified tax sales of property; altering the auctioneer's fee in Dorchester County allowed as an expense relating to specified tax sales of property to be \$7.50 per property sold; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 279 Carroll County Delegation**CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIQUOR TASTING**

Creating a liquor tasting license in Carroll County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Carroll County to issue the liquor tasting license only to holders of Class A beer, wine and liquor licenses; specifying that the liquor tasting license authorizes consumption of specified liquor for tasting or sampling purposes only; requiring that the liquor be provided to consumers at no charge; specifying limitations on the quantity of liquor that may be consumed; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 313 Delegate Stein**NATURAL RESOURCES – WOODLAND INCENTIVES FUND – RENAMING**

Renaming the Woodland Incentives Fund to be the “Mel Noland Woodland Incentives Fund”; making conforming changes; and clarifying specified provisions of law relating to the contents of and reports about the Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 326 **Baltimore County Delegation****BALTIMORE COUNTY – WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS – FARMERS’ MARKETS**

Authorizing the issuance of not more than 12 additional winery special event permits to specified wineries for use in specified farmers’ markets in Baltimore County; prohibiting a winery from using more than 6 winery special event permits at the same farmer’s market in Baltimore County in a year; prohibiting a holder of a permit from selling wine by the glass; and requiring that a specified individual who is certified by an alcohol awareness program be present during the hours when wine may be sold.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 358 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee****OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION, THE BANKING BOARD, AND THE STATE COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING BOARD – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Repealing the Banking Board in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; continuing the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation and the State Collection Agency Licensing Board in accordance with provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2022, termination provisions relating to statutory and regulatory authority of the Office and the Board; requiring the State Collection Agency Licensing Board and the Attorney General’s Office to monitor a specified determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 362 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee****MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the Maryland Home Improvement Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2022, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission; continuing the Maryland Mold Remediation Services Act in accordance with the provisions of the sunset law by extending to July 1, 2019, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 363**Delegate Simmons, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – MANSLAUGHTER BY VEHICLE OR VESSEL – CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE**

Making it a misdemeanor for a person to cause the death of another as a result of the person's driving, operating, or controlling a vehicle or vessel in a criminally negligent manner; establishing the circumstances under which a person is considered to act in a criminally negligent manner for purposes of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 364**Delegate Walker****STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS – MINIMUM ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS – PROPOSED STANDARDS**

Requiring the State Board of Education, in consultation with county boards of education, to report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2011, regarding minimum academic performance standards that students in public high schools in the State should meet in order to participate in high school athletic competitions; requiring the report to include specified recommendations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 404**Washington County Delegation****WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MICRO-BREWERIES**

Adding Washington County to the list of counties in which a Class 7 micro-brewery license may be issued; authorizing the Comptroller to issue the license in the county to holders of specified retail alcoholic beverages licenses; adding the county to the list of counties in which a Class 7 micro-brewery licensee may sell, at retail, beer for consumption off the premises under specified circumstances; providing for the hours and days for consumer sales under the license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 435 Delegate Bohanan**OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM – SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLANS – EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Altering the methods available to members of the Optional Retirement Program for making employee contributions to supplemental retirement accounts.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 437 Delegate Niemann, et al**REAL PROPERTY – SALES OF NEW HOMES – MINIMUM VISITABILITY FEATURES**

Requiring a home builder at the time of offering new homes in a subdivision for sale to offer minimum visitability features as an option for purchase under specified circumstances; requiring a specified offer of minimum visitability features to be accompanied by a specified document and a specified drawing or photograph; providing for a delayed effective date; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2012

HB 466 Delegates Tarrant and Kipke**PROCUREMENT – SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES**

Requiring the Board of Public Works, in consultation with the Department of General Services, to adopt regulations to require that a bidder or offeror responding to a solicitation for a service contract for janitorial services delineate its costs by specified categories; and providing for an exception.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 487 Delegates Rosenberg and Kaiser**WALTER SONDHEIM JR. PUBLIC SERVICE SUMMER INTERNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – INTERNSHIPS**

Providing that specified students who participate in specified internships that assist in providing specified legal services in the State are eligible to receive funding under the Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Summer Internship Scholarship Program.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 497 Delegates Conway and Otto**NATURAL RESOURCES – SOMERS COVE MARINA
COMMISSION – PROCUREMENT**

Authorizing the Executive Director of the Somers Cove Marina to procure capital improvement, design, and maintenance projects; requiring the Executive Director to follow specified procurement procedures and make specified procurements in accordance with specified provisions of the procurement law under specified circumstances; and requiring the Executive Director to submit specified procurements to the Board of Public Works for approval.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 510 Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – HARASSMENT – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalty for harassment for a second or subsequent offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 519 Delegate Arora, et al**FIREARMS – VIOLATION OF SPECIFIED PROHIBITIONS –
AMMUNITION AND PENALTY**

Repealing a prohibition against the possession of ammunition designed solely for a regulated firearm by a person who is under the age of 21; and specifying that it is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to 5 years or a fine of up to \$10,000 or both to knowingly violate the prohibition against obliterating, removing, changing, or altering the manufacturer's identification mark or number on a firearm.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 534 Montgomery County Delegation**CARROLL COUNTY AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY – POLLING
PLACES – ELECTIONEERING BOUNDARIES MC 19–11**

Specifying that in Carroll County and Montgomery County, on approval of the local board, the line beyond which electioneering is prohibited outside a polling place may be located at any point between 25 feet and 100 feet from the entrance and exit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 535 **Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TOWN OF KENSINGTON – OFF-SALE BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSES MC 9–11**

Authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to issue not more than 3 Class A (off-sale) beer and light wine licenses in a specified area in the town of Kensington; specifying the hours and days of sale; prohibiting a license holder from engaging in specified activities; providing for an annual license fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 542 **Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER AND WINE SAMPLING OR TASTING LICENSE MC 3–11**

Expanding the list of alcoholic beverages licenses that the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may issue in the City of Takoma Park to include a beer and wine sampling or tasting (BWST) license; authorizing the Board to issue a BWST license to a holder of a Class A (off-sale) license in Montgomery County; authorizing holders of a Class A wine license to whom a BWST license has been issued to use the BWST license to hold tastings or samplings of wine only; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 543 **Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL CULINARY SCHOOL LICENSE MC 14–11**

Establishing in Montgomery County a special culinary school license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners, by unanimous vote, to issue the license for use on the premises of specified culinary educational institutions; setting an annual fee; authorizing a license holder to allow the consumption of beer and wine in connection with specified courses; specifying that an individual may consume alcoholic beverages under the license only on the licensed premises; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 545 **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOL SALES – BURTONSVILLE TOWN SQUARE AND HILLANDALE SHOPPING CENTER MC 2–11

Authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to approve by unanimous vote applications for alcoholic beverages licenses for restaurants located within the Burtonsville Town Square shopping center and the Hillandale Shopping Center; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 587 **Delegate Feldman**

BIOTECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT – QUALIFIED MARYLAND BIOTECHNOLOGY COMPANY

Altering the definition of “qualified Maryland biotechnology company” for purposes of the biotechnology investment tax credit for fiscal years 2012 and 2013 only, to allow investments in companies that have been in active business for up to 15 years to qualify for the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 604 **Charles County Delegation**

CHARLES COUNTY – BOARD OF ELECTIONS – MEMBERSHIP

Increasing the number of regular members and eliminating substitute members on the Charles County Board of Elections; requiring the members of the board to be of specified political parties; requiring that a vacancy on the board be filled in a certain manner; and making the Act effective June 6, 2011.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2011

HB 613 **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation**

MARYLAND–NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM SUBMISSION MC/PG 111–11

Altering the date from November 1 to January 15 before which the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission is required to prepare and submit a 6–year capital improvements program to the county governing body of Prince George’s County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 632 Delegate Mizeur, et al**EARNED INCOME CREDIT INFORMATION ACT**

Requiring the Comptroller to publish the maximum income eligibility for the State earned income tax credit on or before January 1 of each calendar year; requiring the Comptroller to prepare and mail to all employers in the State a specified notice; requiring an employer to provide specified notification to an employee who may be eligible for the State earned income tax credit; providing that an employee may not pursue a private cause of action against an employer for the employer's failure to provide a specified notice; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2012

HB 643 Delegate Carr**PROCUREMENT – STATE BUILDINGS – ENERGY EFFICIENT OUTDOOR LIGHTING FIXTURES**

Prohibiting the use of State funds to install or replace a permanent outdoor luminaire for lighting on the grounds of any State building unless the luminaire meets specified requirements; providing specified exceptions to the requirements of the Act; authorizing the Board of Public Works or the Board's designee to waive the requirements of the Act under specified circumstances; requiring the Board to prescribe the requirements for a waiver request; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 678 Delegates Otto and McDermott**SOMERSET COUNTY – WATER AND SEWER SERVICE – LATE FEES**

Authorizing the sanitary district in Somerset County to charge a late fee for unpaid water and sewer usage charges; authorizing the Sanitary Commission in Somerset County to require the payment of specified late fees before reconnecting specified water service; and providing that when a specified charge is in default it will accrue interest from the date of default at a rate determined by the sanitary commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 728**Delegate Niemann****RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – FORECLOSURE – REQUIRED DOCUMENTS – TIMING OF MEDIATION**

Requiring a notice of intent to foreclose for an owner-occupied residential property to be accompanied by an envelope addressed to a specified person; altering the documents that must accompany an order to docket or complaint to foreclose on residential property; clarifying the documents that must be served on a mortgagor or grantor in a residential foreclosure action; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 739**Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Resources)****SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS PROGRAMS AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS – TRANSFER TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

Transferring responsibilities for sexual assault crisis programs and domestic violence programs from the Department of Human Resources to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention; transferring specified appropriations held by the Department of Human Resources to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 748**Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)****ACADEMIC FACILITIES BONDING AUTHORITY**

Increasing the bonding authority for the University System of Maryland; approving specified projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of specified academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; authorizing the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland for financing the projects; and providing that specified bonds are not a debt or an obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 752 Delegate Barkley, et al**MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES – PROHIBITING ACCESS TO PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Prohibiting programs developed for Maryland Correctional Enterprises from allowing inmates to have access to specified personal information.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 757 Delegate Mitchell, et al**GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD – DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO AID UNEMPLOYED STATE RESIDENTS**

Requiring the Governor's Workforce Investment Board to establish an advisory committee; specifying the duties and staffing of the advisory committee; requiring that the advisory committee include representatives from specified organizations; requiring the Board, on or before June 1 of each year, to report findings and recommendations to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 758 Delegate Mitchell, et al**TASK FORCE ON FUNDING A GREEN TECHNOLOGY, LIFE SCIENCE, AND HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Task Force on Funding a Green Technology, Life Science, and Health Information Technology Loan Assistance Repayment Program; providing for members of the Task Force, the staff, and the designation of a chair; requiring the Task Force to conduct a study and make recommendations on or before December 31, 2011, for a program that assists graduates who earned a degree in a field relating to green technology or specified related fields to repay a federal or State higher education loan; etc.

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HB 794**Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al****DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – PRE-PAROLE INVESTIGATIONS FOR INMATES OF LOCAL FACILITIES**

Requiring the Division of Parole and Probation to complete and submit to the Parole Commission the results of pre-parole investigations of specified inmates in local correctional facilities within 60 days of commitment for the purpose of enabling the Parole Commission to determine the advisability of granting parole to those inmates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 801**Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS' RIGHTS – ENFORCEMENT**

Requiring, in any court proceedings involving a crime against a victim, the court to ensure that the victim is afforded rights provided to victims by law; authorizing a specified victim to file a motion requesting relief within a specified time period; providing that if the court finds that a victim's right to restitution under a specified provision of law was not considered or was improperly denied, the court may enter a judgment of restitution; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 817**Delegate Mizeur****ENVIRONMENT – COMPOSTING**

Requiring the Department of the Environment to maintain information on its Web site to educate the public about composting and to promote composting in the State; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture and the Maryland Environmental Service, to study composting in the State, and to make a report to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2013, including a summary of the laws and regulations governing composting; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 823 Delegate Krebs, et al**SALES AND USE TAX – NONPROFIT FOOD VENDORS – YOUTH SPORTING EVENTS AND 4-H YOUTH EVENTS**

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for sales of food, bottled water, soft drinks or carbonated beverages, and candy or confectionery by a nonprofit food vendor at a youth sporting event or 4-H youth event for individuals under the age of 18 years, if specified conditions are met; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 848 Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)**DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – TOW COMPANIES**

Requiring the Department of State Police to establish and maintain a list of tow companies; authorizing the Department to adopt regulations establishing standards for tow companies to be included on the list; and requiring the Department to include qualifying companies on the list.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 899 Delegate Clagett, et al**DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – WARRANT APPREHENSION UNIT – POWERS**

Establishing the Warrant Apprehension Unit within the Division of Parole and Probation; providing that specified employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit also have specified additional powers; including specified employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit in the defined term “police officer” in connection with provisions of law relating to the authority to make arrests; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 908**Delegate Stein****MOTOR VEHICLES – LEASED VEHICLES – ADVERTISING PRACTICES**

Prohibiting a person who leases vehicles to lessees from failing to include any dealer processing or freight charges in calculating the base lease payment shown in an advertisement for a leased vehicle, or from advertising to the general public a capitalized cost reduction to a lessee unless the capitalized cost reduction is offered to all potential lessees; and clarifying that specified provisions of law apply to an advertisement for a leased vehicle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 953**Allegany County Delegation****ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 1-DAY SPECIAL LICENSE**

Authorizing the Allegany County Board of License Commissioners to grant a 1-day special license for an entertainment event; limiting the duration of a specified license; authorizing the Allegany County Board of County Commissioners to determine the license fee based on a recommendation; requiring license holders to exercise the privileges of the license on county-owned property; requiring the Board of County Commissioners to distribute specified amounts of license fees in a specified manner; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 972**Delegate Stein, et al****BUILDING CODES – INTERNATIONAL GREEN CONSTRUCTION CODE**

Authorizing the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt by regulation the International Green Construction Code; authorizing local jurisdictions to adopt and make local amendments to the International Green Construction Code; defining the term “International Green Construction Code”; and making the Act effective March 1, 2012.

EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2012

HB 973**Delegate Eckardt, et al****DORCHESTER COUNTY LIQUOR ACT OF 2011**

Repealing an obsolete residency requirement for voters supporting an application for an alcoholic beverages license in Dorchester County; specifying that a prohibition against alcoholic beverages sales at a bar or counter on Sunday does not apply in the county; and repealing obsolete language concerning Sunday alcoholic beverages sales.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 992**Calvert County Delegation****CALVERT COUNTY – REGULATION OF ROADS**

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Calvert County, by ordinance, to regulate the grading, constructing, improving, maintaining, and repairing of specified roads; authorizing the County Commissioners to establish standards for utility cuts in and across county rights-of-way; authorizing the County Commissioners to regulate access to county-owned roads; authorizing the County Commissioners to establish specified minimum standards for new roads; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 996**St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER FESTIVAL LICENSE**

Authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Board of St. Mary's County to issue a special beer festival (BF) license; establishing specified requirements for license applicants and for holders of special beer festival licenses; establishing a specified fee; specifying that the holder of a special BF license is not prohibited from holding another alcoholic beverages license of a different class or nature; requiring the Alcoholic Beverage Board to approve the time and location of a beer festival subject to specified limitations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1005 Prince George's County Delegation

PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK BUS SERVICE – MOTOR CARRIER PERMIT EXEMPTION – EXTENSION OF SUNSET PG 403–11

Providing that a motor carrier permit is not required, under specified circumstances, for a shuttle bus service operated by the University of Maryland, College Park for its students that is also used to provide, in exchange for payment by the municipal corporation in which the University operates the shuttle bus service, transportation for the residents of the municipal corporation; extending to June 30, 2014, a specified termination provision; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 1020 Delegate Valderrama, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

Altering retroactive applicability of specified provisions of law so as to include a person who is convicted under specified circumstances; altering the predicate offenses and minimum age for inclusion on a registry of juvenile sex offenders; requiring juvenile registrants to appear at a specified location at specified times to provide information and allow the Department of Juvenile Services to take a digital image of the juvenile registrant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 1095 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LICENSES PG 302–11

Increasing to six the number of Class B–DD (Development District) licenses that the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County may issue for restaurants located in the area of Ritchie Station Marketplace; authorizing a person to obtain one other Class B license anywhere in Prince George's County for each Class B–DD license the person is issued under specified circumstances; and providing that a specified Class B license issued under the Act shall remain in effect under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1104 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PERMIT PROGRAM FOR
ROADSIDE SOLICITATION OF MONEY OR DONATIONS –
SUNSET EXTENSION PG 402–11

Extending the termination date for specified provisions of law authorizing the County Council of Prince George's County to enact a permit program to allow a person to stand in a roadway, median divider, or intersection to solicit money or donations from the occupant of a vehicle.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1134 Delegate Hucker, et al

CONSUMER PROTECTION – HOUSEHOLD GOODS MOVERS –
ESTIMATES AND CHARGES

Requiring a household goods mover to provide a written estimate to a consumer before providing household goods moving services for an intrastate move; specifying the contents of the written estimate; providing that a consumer who receives a binding estimate may not be required to pay more than the estimated total price stated in the estimate for the household goods moving services described in the estimate; authorizing a consumer to waive the right to receive a written estimate under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1141 Delegate James, et al

JUVENILE LAW – TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM –
FILING OF PETITION

Repealing a requirement that a specified criminal charge against a specified person must be filed and dismissed or stetted before an authorized school official may file, if a child is under age 12, a truancy petition in the judicial circuits that have established Truancy Reduction Pilot Programs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1143**Delegate Sophocleus****BUSINESS REGULATION – SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS – EXEMPTED TRANSACTIONS AND RECORD KEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

Exempting specified transactions of retail jewelers from the requirement to hold a secondhand precious metal object dealer license; requiring specified items to remain tagged for the entire period the item is stored in the dealer's inventory; requiring the primary law enforcement unit to adopt procedures for dealers to amend submitted records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1146**Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Budget and Management)****ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS – STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – INCENTIVES**

Altering the definition of “State-regulated payor” as it relates to the regulation of electronic health records to exclude the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; repealing a requirement that the Secretary of Budget and Management ensure that the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program comply with specified provisions of law governing electronic health records; and stating the intent of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1174**Delegate Mitchell, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – REVOCATION OF PAROLE – REIMPOSITION OF SENTENCE**

Altering a provision of law relating to the revocation of a parole order so as to authorize the parole commissioner who conducted the hearing on the revocation of an inmate's order of parole to reimpose any unserved portion of the sentence originally imposed on the inmate; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to submit a specified report; and terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2014.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1190 Delegate Jones, et al**CHILD IN NEED OF SUPERVISION PILOT PROGRAM – EXPANSION**

Expanding the Child in Need of Supervision Pilot Program by requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to include Cecil County, Montgomery County, and Prince George's County in the Pilot Program; authorizing the Governor to include a \$250,000 general fund appropriation in the budget bill for fiscal year 2013 to be provided as grants to Cecil County, Montgomery County, and Prince George's County to implement the expansion of the Pilot Program; altering a definition; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1196 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**

Altering the application of specified provisions relating to calculation of the amount of the Sustainable Communities tax credit that may be claimed under specified circumstances; altering a specified fee; authorizing the use of a specified reserve fund for specified purposes under specified circumstances; requiring the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust to reserve a specified amount in a specified reserve fund to be used for a specified purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1218 Frederick County Delegation**FREDERICK COUNTY – BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Creating in Frederick County a beer, wine and liquor tasting license; specifying to whom the licenses may be issued; setting maximum limits on the amounts of individual servings; specifying that the license may be issued for tasting or sampling purposes only; and providing for an annual license fee to be set by the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1240**Delegate Jacobs, et al****COUNTIES – NATURAL RESOURCES – AUTHORIZATION TO HARVEST SEAFOOD AND ENGAGE IN THE SEAFOOD INDUSTRY**

Expanding the application of specified provisions to authorize the governing body of a county to adopt an ordinance, resolution, or regulation or take specified other action to authorize a person to harvest seafood and engage in the seafood industry in accordance with requirements; providing that in the event of a conflict, federal law, State law, or specified written program guidance preempts any ordinance, resolution, or regulation or any other action taken by the governing body of a county under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1242**Chair, Baltimore County Delegation (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)****BALTIMORE COUNTY – MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS LICENSES – FEES**

Altering license fees applicants in Baltimore County are required to pay for keeping a billiard table for commercial use, for doing construction business, for keeping a motor vehicle storage garage business, for doing the business of laundry or dry cleaning, for doing business as a plumber or gas fitter, for operating a restaurant, for doing business as a trader, and for operating a chain store.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1246**Delegate Conway, et al****CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – PRIORITY OF LIENS**

Providing that, in the case of a foreclosure on a mortgage or deed of trust on a condominium unit, a specified portion of the condominium's liens on the unit has priority over the claim of the holder of a first mortgage or first deed of trust under specified circumstances; providing that lot owners in a homeowners association are liable for specified assessments and charges; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011 – CONTINGENT

HB 1274 Charles County Delegation**CHARLES COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–STADIUM (BASEBALL STADIUM) ON–SALE BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Altering a Class B–Stadium (baseball stadium) beer and light wine license in Charles County to be a Class B–Stadium (baseball stadium) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license; allowing a patron to consume and carry beer and wine anywhere on the premises; allowing a patron to consume liquor only in the enclosed stadium dining area or bar and prohibiting a patron from carrying liquor out of the enclosed stadium dining area or bar; and authorizing the Charles County Board of License Commissioners to adopt specified regulations.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 1282 Delegate Glenn, et al**TRANSPORTATION – VEHICLE PARKING FACILITIES – MOTORCYCLE PARKING**

Requiring vehicle parking facilities that are owned, leased, or operated by the State or a political subdivision of the State or that receive funding from the State or a political subdivision of the State to allow motorcycles to park in the facilities, subject to specified charges.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1292 Anne Arundel County Delegation**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES AND FEES**

Altering specified alcoholic beverages license fees in Anne Arundel County; establishing a Class WT wine tasting (on–premises) license in Anne Arundel County; establishing a specified administrative fee; specifying the scope of an administrative fee; requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners to determine the fee for a specified license; altering an exception relating to a specified prohibition against the playing of live music by holders of alcoholic beverage licenses or club licenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HB 1315 Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT SESSIONS
HO. CO. 9–11

Requiring the Orphans’ Court in Howard County to determine when to hold its sessions for the transaction of business.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2011

HB 1327 Delegate Conaway

CRIMINAL LAW – SALVIA DIVINORUM – DISTRIBUTION TO
INDIVIDUAL UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE – PENALTIES

Increasing the penalties for a conviction for the crime of distributing Salvia divinorum to a person under the age of 21 years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

HB 1334 Delegates McDermott and Conway

WORCESTER COUNTY – BERLIN – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MICRO-BREWERY LICENSE

Allowing a holder of a Class D beer license in the Town of Berlin in Worcester County to be issued a Class 7 micro-brewery license by the Comptroller under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

HJ 7 Delegate Cardin, et al

ELECTION LAW – COMMISSION TO STUDY CAMPAIGN
FINANCE LAW

Creating a Commission to Study Campaign Finance Law; specifying the composition, powers, and duties of the Commission; providing for the staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by specified dates; providing for the termination of the Commission; etc.